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August 10, 2009

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Attention: Sue Kiser

Leslie T. Rogers Regional Administrator Federal Transit Administration 201 Mission Street, Suite 1650 San Francisco, CA 94105

Attention: Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is transmitting the following amendment to the California 2008/09 - 2011/12 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) for your approval. This amendment modifies and adds projects in the rural, non-Metropolitan Planning Organization (non-MPO) portion of the state.

No. Description

15 **Local and State Elements**

This amendment modifies, and adds projects within the rural, non-MPO portion of the state. Modifications are made to the following Local Highway Bridge Program projects: Bridge No. 04C055, Mattole Road, Humboldt County; Statewide Scour Plan of Action Various Counties; Bridge No. 15C021, Colusa County; Bridge No. 17C0030, Maybert Road, Nevada County; Bridge 13C0056, Old Fibreboard Road, Sierra County; Bridge No. 48C0025, Sabina Road, Inyo County; Bridge No. 32C0044, Rawhide Rd. over Woods Creek, Tuolumne County; Highway Bridge Program Federally Mandated Inspection Program; and the Local Highway Bridge Program Grouped Project Listing. In addition, a new Mariposa County Diesel Engine Retrofit project programs \$161,000 of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement funds in Fiscal Year 2008/09.

See enclosure

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration approve this Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment No. 15 for inclusion into California's FSTIP.

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Based upon correspondence from FHWA dated May 27, 2008, projects in non-metropolitan isolated non-attainment areas of the State do not need to meet project conformity to be included in the FSTIP. However, such projects must comply with project level conformity requirements when a Federal action such as a National Environmental Protection Agency decision or obligation of funds, is taken on the project.

This amendment was made available for public review and comment July 16 – July 30, 2009. The response to comments received is enclosed. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. An updated financial summary table is provided for this amendment.

Projects included in this FTIP, in fiscal years beyond the four-year cycle of the current FSTIP, are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are for information only. These projects are included and submitted by the California Department of Transportation through the California Transportation Improvement Program System.

Please note that the approval of this amendment does not constitute an eligibility determination for the projects that are federally funded.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Penny Gray, of my staff, at (916) 654-3521.

Sincerely,

RACHEL FALSETTI

Chief

Division of Transportation Programming

Enclosures

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